## REMARKS

With the entry of this Amendment, claims 12-25 and 27 are currently pending in the application. Claims 11, 26 and 28-30 have been canceled, without prejudice. Allowed independent claim 13 has been amended to include the transitional phrase of "comprising" that was inadvertently omitted in the Amendment in response to the previous Office Action and to make the claim more grammatically correct. Allowable claim 27 has been rewritten into independent form to incorporate all of the subject matter of canceled claim 11 and to make the claim more grammatically correct. Amended claims 13 and 27 are at least supported by the original claims, Figs. 1, 7-12 and 14 and specification paragraph [0081]. Claim 19 has been amended to make it depend from claim 12. Claim 22 has been amended to improve grammar. Accordingly, no new matter has been added to the application by this Amendment and each of pending independent claims 13, 22 and 27 includes allowable subject matter as indicated by the Examiner in the pending Office Action.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Amendment After Final be entered in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 714.13, because: (1) no new matter has been added to the application by the Amendment After Final; (2) the Amendment After Final addresses and resolves all issued raised by the Examiner in the final Office Action; (3) the subject matter of the Amendment After Final has already been included in the Examiner's search and, therefore, does not require the Examiner to perform further searching; (4) the Amendment After Final places the application in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal and (5) the Amendment After Final does not result in a net addition to the claims of the application.

## Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 11, 26 and 28-30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,129,749 (Sato). Applicant has canceled claims 11, 26 and 28-30, thereby rendering the rejection of these claims moot.

## **Allowable Subject Matter**

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 12-25 are allowed and that claim 27 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of

the base claims and any intervening claims. Accordingly, allowable claim 27 has been rewritten into independent form to incorporate the subject matter of canceled claim 11 and to make the claim more grammatically correct. Allowable claims 12 and 22 have been amended to improve grammar and claim 19 has been amended to depend from claim 12 to avoid an antecedent problem.

## **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing Amendment and remarks, which canceled the rejected claims and rewrote the allowable claim into independent form, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application, including claims 12-25 and 27, is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

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